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Celebrate the holidays with the Cincinnati Art Museum



CINCINNATI— Get in the spirit of the season at the Cincinnati Art Museum with festive holiday events and activities in November and December.

In addition to the museum's encyclopedic permanent collection, the holidays are a wonderful time to explore special exhibitions, including *The Fabric of India*, *Life: Gillian Wearing* and *Collecting Calligraphy: Arts of the Islamic World*.

The museum is open Tuesday through Sunday and will only be closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas days. Beyond the art galleries, several holiday happenings are in store.

Tibetan monks sacred sand art creation

November 13–18, 11 a.m.–5 p.m. Tuesday–Sunday, 11 a.m.–8 p.m. Thursdays

Tibetan monks will visit the Cincinnati Art Museum to create a sacred

sand mandala in the museum's Great Hall. FREE.

Art After Dark: Confess Yourself

November 21, 5-9 p.m.

Celebrate Thanksgiving Eve and explore your identity during this month's Art After Dark. Enjoy live performances from DJ Mowgli, Black Signal and Pones; an interactive photo booth; food for purchase from Eli's BBQ; specialty cocktails; docent-led tours and free exhibition access. FREE.

Holiday Gift Shop

November and December, 11 a.m.–5 p.m. Tuesday–Sunday, 11 a.m.–8 p.m. Thursdays Make a list and check it twice! Shop art-inspired gifts, including finds inspired by *The Fabric of India*. Through your purchase at the gift shop, you directly support the Cincinnati Art Museum.

Holiday Expressions Trunk Show

November 16-18, 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Find artful gifts for everyone on your list, as well as the perfect piece of festive jewelry to wear to holiday gatherings! Local artists, designers and authors will be on-site to personalize your gifts. Shoppers will receive 10 percent off all purchases (20 percent for members) and complimentary holiday giftwrap throughout the entire Trunk Show event.



REC the HALLS

December 1–30, 11 a.m.–5 p.m. Tuesday–Sunday, 11 a.m.–8 p.m. Thursdays Bring the whole family to the museum for holiday art-making activities, including card-making, gift bag embellishment, ornament crafts and more at the Rosenthal Education Center (REC). FREE.

Young Professionals' Choral Collective performances

December 6 and 13, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Be serenaded by the Young Professionals' Choral Collective of Cincinnati (YPCC)! Gather in the Great Hall for a cappella performances of your favorite holiday tunes and carols. FREE.

Museum Holiday Market: Spice up your holidays

December 10, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The Cincinnati Art Museum's Women's Committee presents its annual Holiday Market. This event features lunch and a presentation by Rita Nader Heikenfeld, herbalist, author, cooking teacher, media personality and founding editor of Abouteating.com. The museum's Great Hall and several first floor galleries will be fully stocked with holiday treasures from local vendors. Tickets are \$65 and can be reserved by calling (513) 639-2964.

Cincinnati Black Santa visits CAM

December 15, 12-4 p.m.

Cincinnati Black Santa Claus is coming to the Cincinnati Art Museum! This is the fourth year in a row for Santa, who looks forward to greeting children of all ages, reviewing Christmas lists and have pictures taken, thanks to the Voice of Black Cincinnati. FREE.

Belle Voci women's chorus performance

December 16, 3-4 p.m.

De-stress from holiday hustle and bustle with a soothing, sophisticated choral performance by Belle Voci, a Cincinnati Youth Choir alumni chorus. Meet in the Great Hall. FREE.

About the Cincinnati Art Museum

The Cincinnati Art Museum is supported by the generosity of individuals and businesses that give annually to Artswave. The Ohio Arts Council helps fund the Cincinnati Art Museum with state tax dollars to encourage economic growth, educational excellence and cultural enrichment for all Ohioans. The Cincinnati Art Museum gratefully acknowledges operating support from the City of Cincinnati, as well as our members.

Free general admission to the Cincinnati Art Museum is made possible by a gift from The Rosenthal Family Foundation. Special exhibition pricing may vary. Parking at the Cincinnati Art Museum is free. The museum is open Tuesday – Sunday, 11 a.m.–5 p.m. and Thursday, 11 a.m.–8 p.m.